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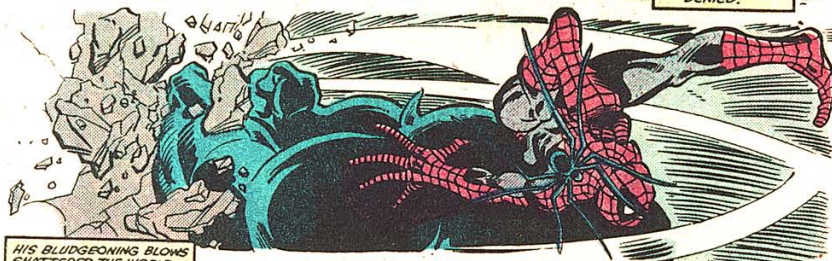
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THEY ALL KNEW THAT THE DARK ONE'S TOUCH MEANT DEATH! BUT THE CHAMPION STILL LEAPT TO THE DEFENSE--

--FOR ME COULD NOT BE TOUCHED!

YET, THE DARK ONE WOULD NOT BE DENIED!



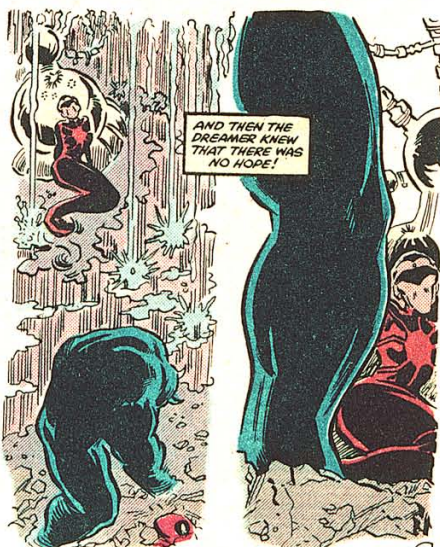
HIS BLUDGEONING BLOWS SHATTERED THE WORLD ABOUT HIM. ALL WHO OPPOSED HIM FELL...



...EVEN THE CHAMPION!



AND THEN THE DREAMER KNEW THAT THERE WAS NO HOPE!



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AS DEATH REACHED OUT SHE PRAYED TO WHATEVER POWERS THERE MAY BE: PLEASE DON'T LET IT END LIKE THIS! PLEASE SAY THAT IT'S JUST A DREAM!

PLEASE!

AT THE SOUND OF THE SCREAM, THE DREAM ENDS.

BUT THE DREAMER KNOWS... THE DANGER HAS JUST BEGUN!



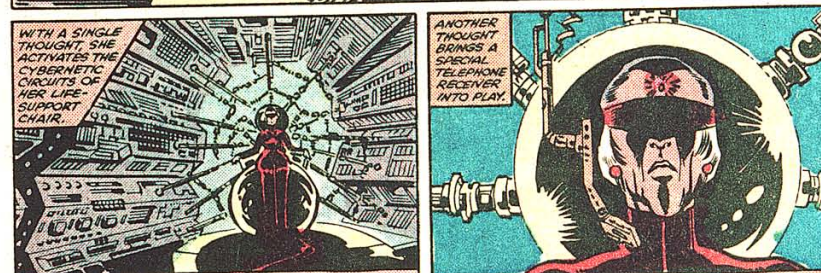
SHE IS QUITE BLIND, BUT HER MIND SEES THINGS WHICH FEW CAN IMAGINE!

SOME WOULD CALL HER A FRAUD! A CHARLATAN! BUT HER IS THE POWER TO PERCEIVE -- NOW, EVER DIMLY -- THE FUTURE!



WITH A SINGLE THOUGHT, SHE ACTIVATES THE CYBERNETIC CIRCUITS OF HER LIFE-SUPPORT CHAIR.

ANOTHER THOUGHT BRINGS A SPECIAL TELEPHONE RECEIVER INTO PLAY.



IT RESPONDS INSTANTLY, SWIVELING FROM ITS RECLINING MODE TO AN UPRIGHT POSITION. SHE IS A PRISONER TO THIS ROOM... ITS MECHANISMS ARE ALL THAT STAND BETWEEN HER AND DEATH'S DARK DOOR.

HER VISION HAS SHOWN HER THAT ONLY ONE MAN STANDS ANY CHANCE OF SAVING HER LIFE! SHE MUST REACH HIM BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!

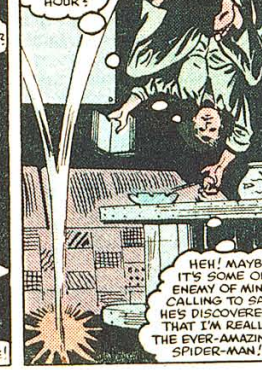


SECONDS LATER, IN A THIRD-FLOOR APARTMENT IN MANHATTAN'S CHELSEA DISTRICT--

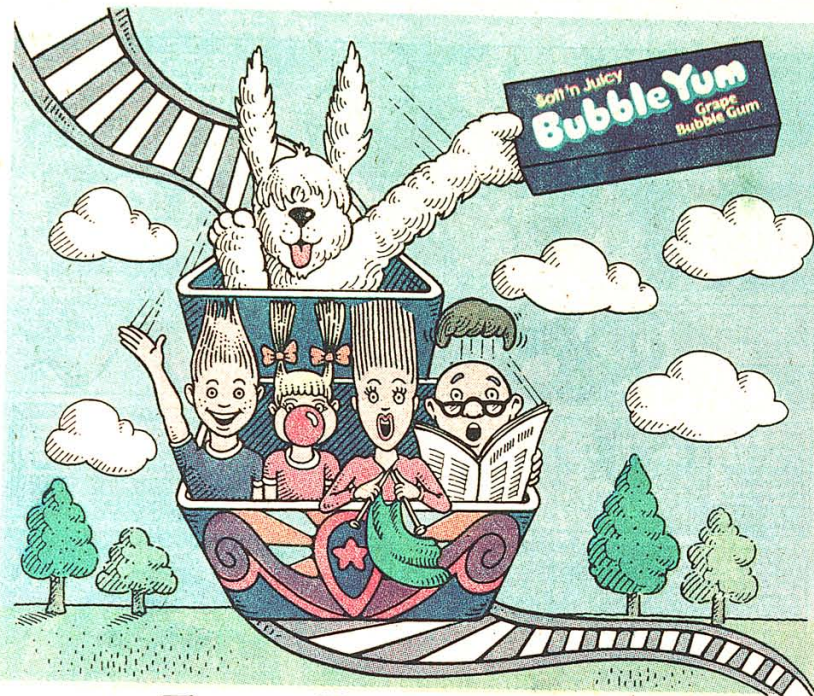
--GRAD STUDENT PETER PARKER IS SUDDENLY ROUSED FROM AN UNPLANNED SLUMBER!



WHO COULD BE CALLING AT THIS HOUR?



HEH! MAYBE IT'S SOME OLD ENEMY OF MINE... CALLING TO SAY HE'S DISCOVERED THAT I'M REALLY THE EVER-AMAZING SPIDER-MAN!

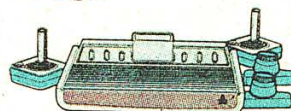


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SPIDER-MAN, I NEED YOUR HELP!

WHAT? WHO IS THIS?!



HAVE YOU SO QUICKLY FORGOTTEN THE VOICE OF MADAME WEB?

LISTEN CAREFULLY...SOMEONE WILL THREATEN MY LIFE WITHIN THE NEXT 24 HOURS. I DON'T YET KNOW WHO OR WHEN...



...BUT I DO KNOW THAT YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN POSSIBLY PROTECT ME! WILL YOU?

WELL...YEAH, SURE! BUT HOW?

I WILL BE IN TOUCH WHEN I HAVE A CLEARER IDEA OF THE DANGER.

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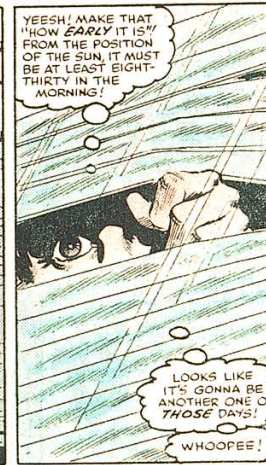
SHE CERTAINLY DOESN'T BELIEVE IN WASTING WORDS! MAN, I'LL NEVER GET USED TO THOSE FREAKY PSYCHIC POWERS OF HERS!

THEY MIGHT HAVE ENABLED HER TO HELP ME OUT A COUPLE OF TIMES, BUT THEY ALSO TOLD HER WHO WAS BEHIND THE SPIDER-MAN MASK!



AND I'M NOT TOO KEEN ON ANYONE KNOWING THAT BIT OF INFO! STILL, I GUESS I SHOULD BE GLAD THAT OL' M.W. IS ONE OF THE GOOD GUYS!

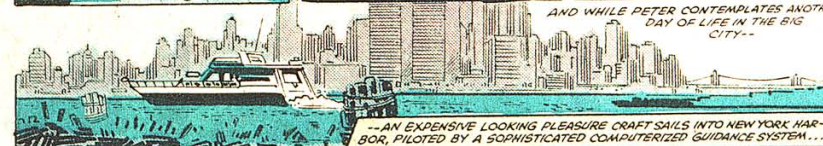
YAWN! GEE, I ONLY GOT HALF OF MY READING DONE BEFORE I NODDED OFF! I WONDER HOW LATE IT IS?



YEAH! MAKE THAT "HOW EARLY IT IS" FROM THE POSITION OF THE SUN, IT MUST BE AT LEAST EIGHT-THIRTY IN THE MORNING!

LOOKS LIKE IT'S GONNA BE ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE DAYS!

WHOOPEE!



AND WHILE PETER CONTEMPLATES ANOTHER DAY OF LIFE IN THE BIG CITY...

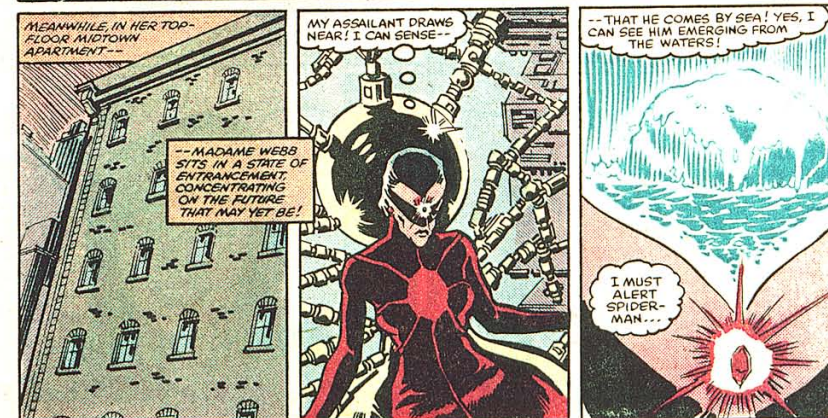
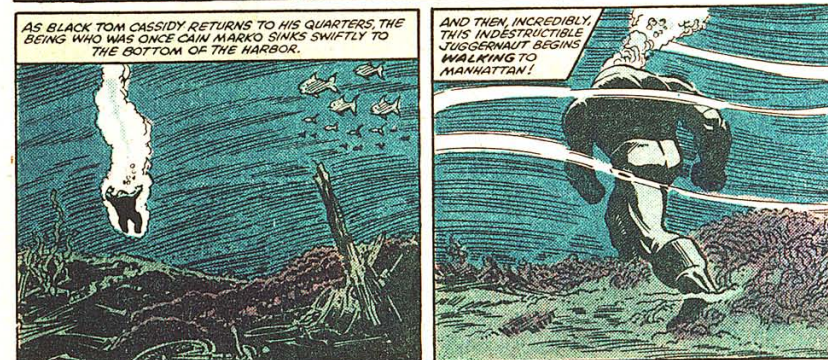
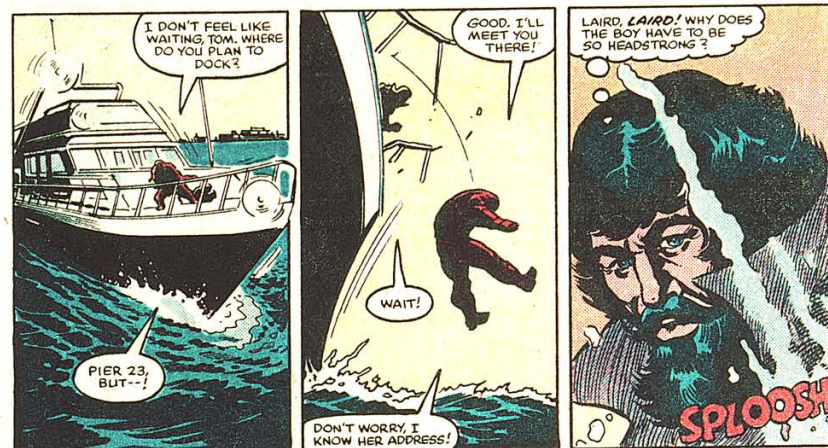
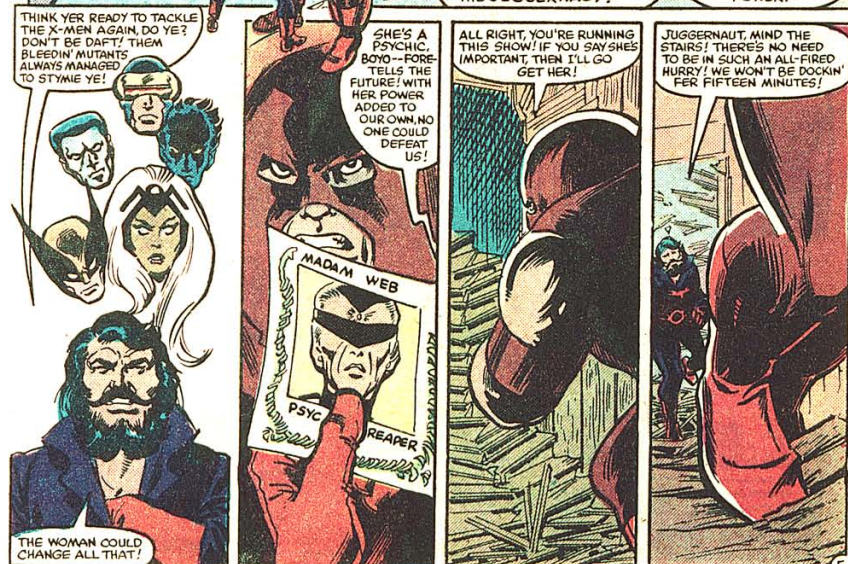
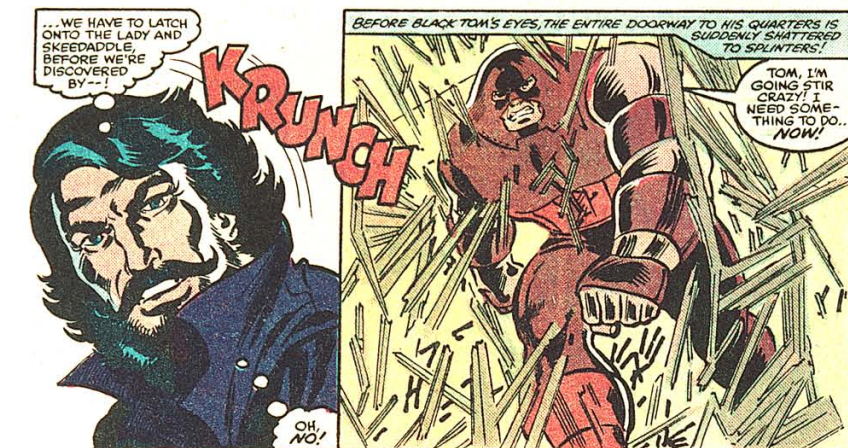
AN EXPENSIVE LOOKING PLEASURE CRAFT SAILS INTO NEW YORK HARBOR, PILOTED BY A SOPHISTICATED COMPUTERIZED GUIDANCE SYSTEM...



...WHILE ITS CAPTAIN—ONE BLACK TOM CASSIDY—PONDERS HIS LATEST SCHEME!

SURE AN! I WISH I KNEW MORE ABOUT THIS WOMAN! IF I DID, I MIGHT BE PERSUADIN' HER TO JOIN US OF HER OWN FREE WILL!

BUT THERE'S JUST NO TIME FOR PLEASANTRIES...



"...WHEREVER HE MAY BE!"

AT THAT
MOMENT,
JUST
ACROSS
TOWN--

--PETER PARKER IS THREADING HIS WAY THROUGH THE CHAOTIC AISLES OF THE DAILY BUGLE'S CITY ROOM.



I DON'T HAVE ANY CLASSES FOR A COUPLE OF HOURS...MIGHT AS WELL CHECK IN HERE AND LET PEOPLE KNOW THAT I'M STILL ALIVE!

HELLO, STRANGER! I WAS BEGINNING TO THINK THAT YOU'D FORGOTTEN ABOUT US!



GIMME A BREAK, GLORY! I DROPPED OFF SOME PHOTOS WITH ROBBIE JUST A FEW DAYS AGO!

AND YOU DIDN'T STOP BY TO SEE ME? SHAME - SHAME!

I THOUGHT YOU'D FOUND THE GIRL OF YOUR DREAMS AND RUN OFF TO TAHITI!

UH...NO, I'VE JUST BEEN BUSY.



OOO, GLORY GRANT, YOU REALLY SAID THE WRONG THING THAT TIME! FROM THAT LOOK IN HIS EYES, SOME LADY MUST'VE DONE A NUMBER ON HIM! **

PETER... YOU OKAY?

I'LL LIVE.

*ONE DID...THE BLACK CAT IN ISSUE # 227!

HELLO, PETER! IF YOU WANTED TO TALK TO OUR ESTEEMED PUBLISHER, I'D ADVISE AGAINST IT! JONAH'S NOT IN THE BEST OF MOODS!



IS HE STILL HAVING PROBLEMS WITH THE TRUCKER'S UNION, ROBBIE?

HOPE, IT'S THE PRINTER'S UNION THIS TIME.

HELLO! UH...I'M NOT INTERRUPTING ANYTHING IMPORTANT, AM I?

HUH?

HEY, WHAT IS THIS? OLD HOME WEEK?



WELL, I'LL BE--!

BETTY GRANT!



BETTY BRANT LEEDS, ROBBIE! I'M STILL MARRIED...HOPEFULLY FOR A LONG, LONG TIME!

AFRAID NOT, SON. LANCE BANNON'S BEEN SNAPPING UP ALL THE FREELANCE PHOTO-WORK. SORRY, BUT HE'S BEEN AVAILABLE--YOU HAVEN'T!



I'D RATHER DEAL WITH YOU ANYWAY, ROBBIE. ANY LOOSE ASSIGNMENTS AROUND FOR A HUNGRY FREELANCE PHOTOG?

THEN, YOU AND NED HAVE PATCHED THINGS UP? THAT'S GREAT!



WELL, WE'RE NOT OUT OF THE WOODS YET, BUT I HAVE MY HOPES. WE SPENT THE WHOLE LAST MONTH TALKING THINGS OUT WITH A MARRIAGE COUNSELOR.



UNFORTUNATELY, NEITHER OF US WORKED LAST MONTH, SO--!

AS A MATTER OF FACT, I ACTED LIKE A REAL HEEL, BUT I DIDN'T MEAN--!



YOU DON'T HAVE TO EXPLAIN, PETER. I WAS HARDLY ACTING RATIONALLY MYSELF THEN.

AFTER I CALMED DOWN, I REALIZED THAT--WHAT EVER WAS DONE OR SAID--YOU WERE JUST TRYING TO BRING NED AND ME BACK TOGETHER.

I CAN NEVER THANK YOU ENOUGH FOR THAT.

THEN, WE'RE STILL FRIENDS?



MY, MY! I REMEMBER BETTY TELLING ME THAT SHE AND PETE WERE A REAL ITEM ONCE UPON A TIME, AND NOW, SHE'S THE OLD GIRLFRIEND! TIMES DO CHANGE, DON'T THEY?

OH, PETE... IT'S FOR YOU!



ME?

BRINNING

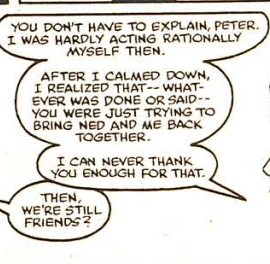
SAY NO MORE, BETTY! YOU STILL HAVE A JOB HERE AS MY SECRETARY! I FIGURED YOU'D BE BACK BEFORE TOO LONG!



YO, ROBBIE! PHONE!

BE RIGHT THERE!

YOU'LL HAVE TO EXCUSE ME, YOUNGSTERS! A CITY EDITOR'S WORK IS NEVER DONE!

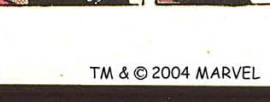


HEY, GLORY-- I GOTTA RUN! NICE TALKING TO YOU!



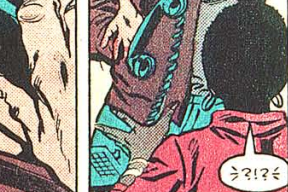
BATTERY PARK! HE'LL BE COMING OUT OF THE SEA AT BATTERY PARK! YOU MUST STOP HIM!

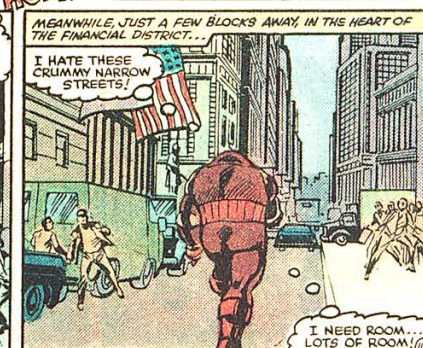
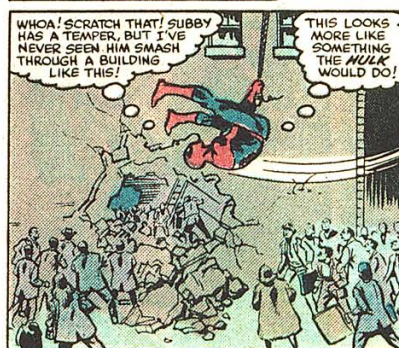
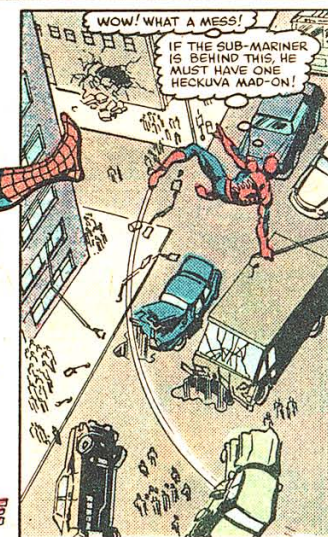
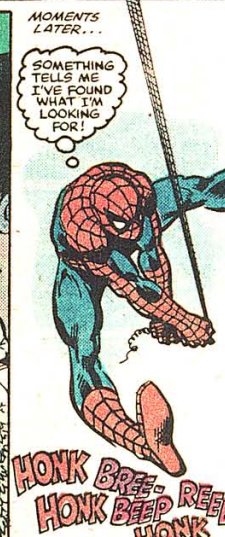
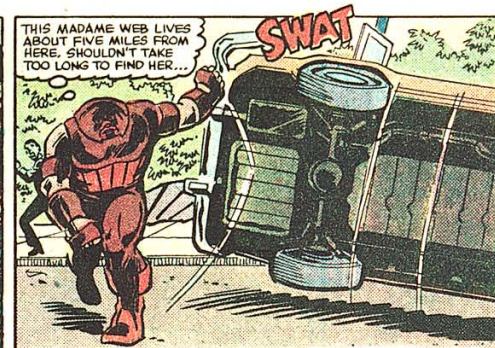
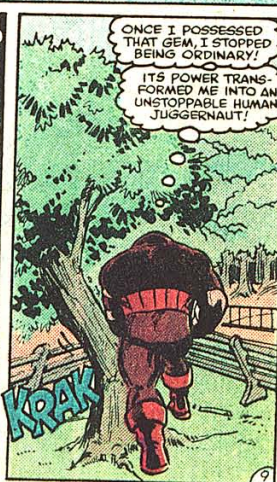
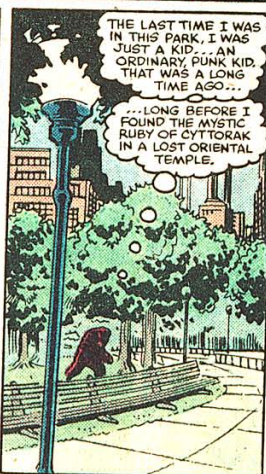
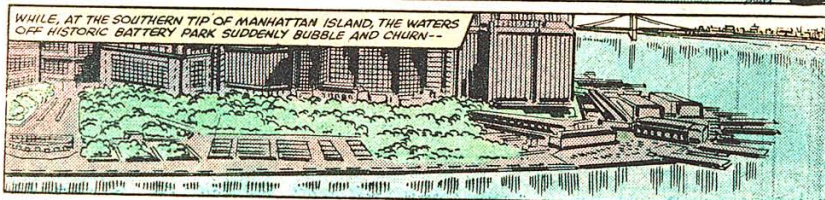
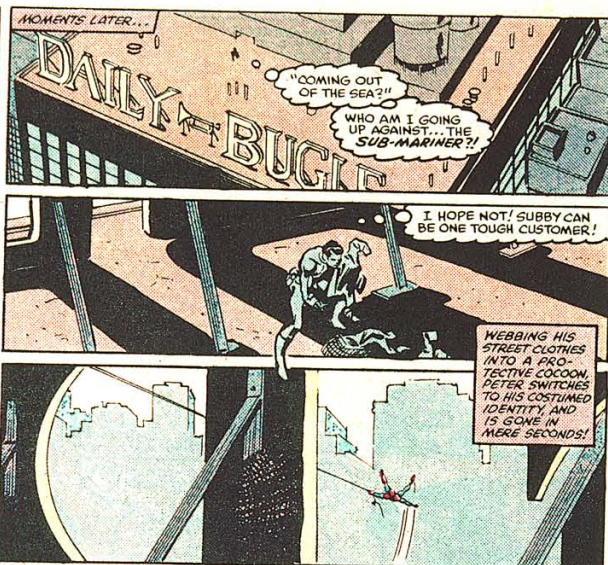
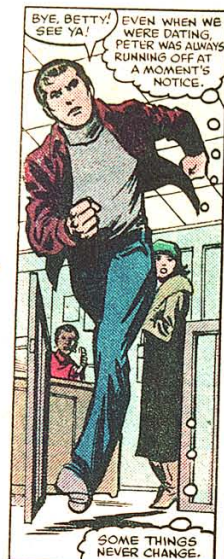
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WHAT?!

MADAME WEB AGAIN!





AH-HAH! TARGET SIGHTED!

THAT GUY MAY NOT BE THE HULK, BUT HE LOOKS ABOUT AS BIG!

IN FACT, HE LOOKS LIKE A BIG BROWN HUMAN TANK!



QUESTION IS... HOW DO I STOP HIM?

HEY, I'LL BET THAT SOMEONE AS BIG AND BULKY AS HIM WOULD FALL RIGHT OVER, GIVEN THE PROPER INCENTIVE!



SO, I'D SAY THAT A LITTLE SNEAK ATTACK WAS IN ORDER!

I KNOW I'LL HATE MYSELF FOR THIS IN THE MORNING, BUT--!

FOOOING



ARCING HIGH OVER THE CITY STREETS, SPIDER-MAN EXECUTES A DESPERATE MID-AIR BACK-FLIP--

--LANDING FEET-FIRST ON THE CORNICE OF A NEARBY BUILDING!

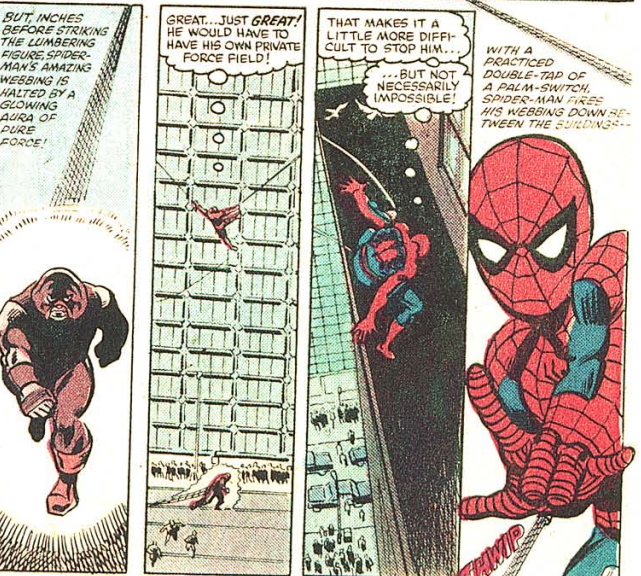


WHAT'S THAT GUY MADE OF? IF I'D REACTED ANY SLOWER, I'D HAVE HIT THIS WALL WITH A SOLAR, INSTEAD OF A THUMP!

THAT'S WHAT I GET FOR BEING SNEAKY, I GUESS!

WELL, A LITTLE WEBBING SHOULD HOLD HIM!

THUMP



BUT INCHES BEFORE STRIKING THE LUMBERING FIGURE, SPIDER-MAN'S AMAZING WEBBING IS HALTED BY A GLOWING AURA OF PURE FORCE!

GREAT... JUST GREAT! HE WOULD HAVE TO HAVE HIS OWN PRIVATE FORCE FIELD!

THAT MAKES IT A LITTLE MORE DIFFICULT TO STOP HIM... BUT NOT NECESSARILY IMPOSSIBLE!

WITH A PRACTICED DOUBLE-TAP OF A PALM-SWITCH, SPIDER-MAN FIRES HIS WEBBING DOWN BETWEEN THE BUILDINGS--



THUMP

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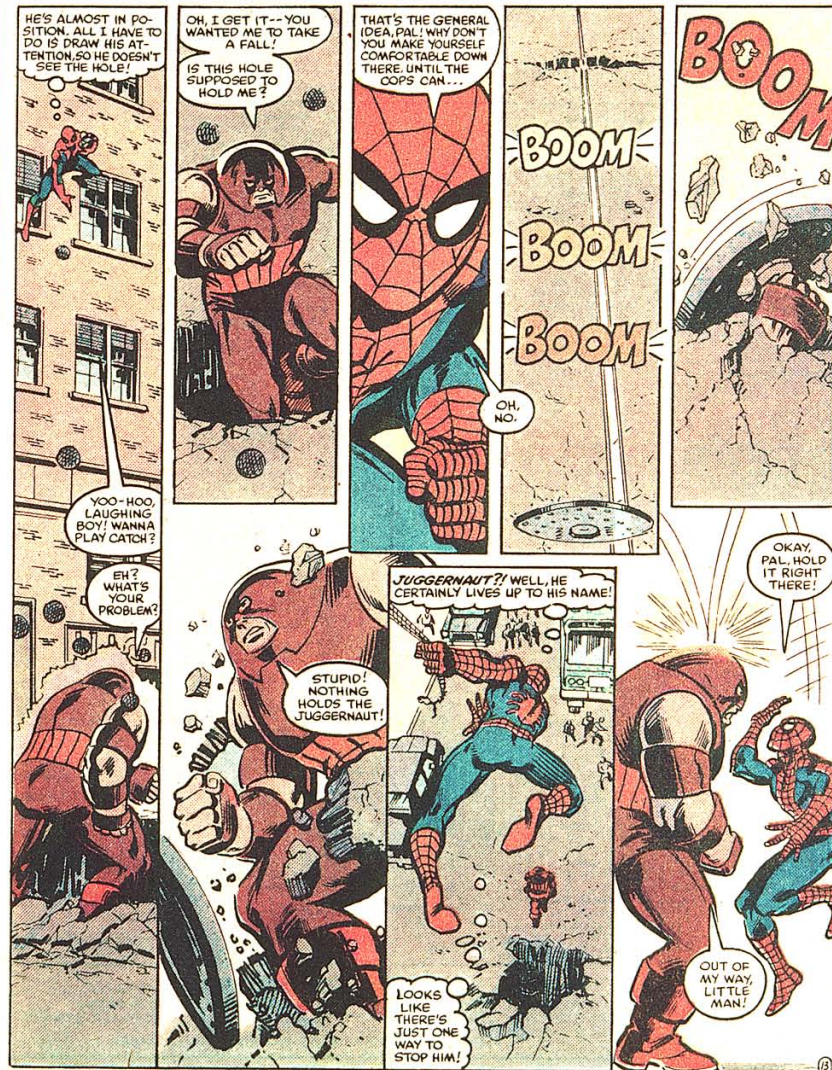
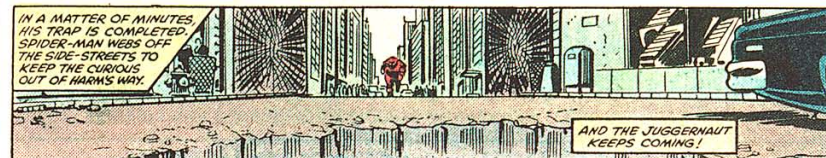
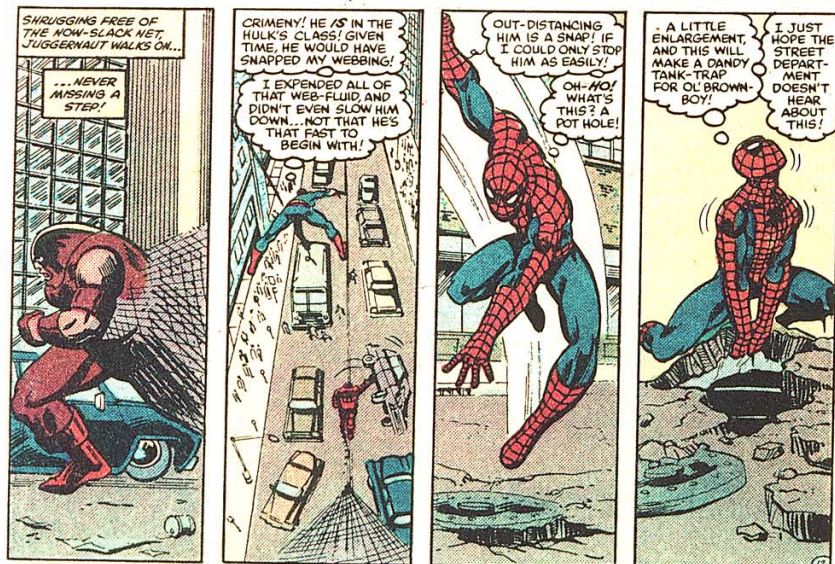
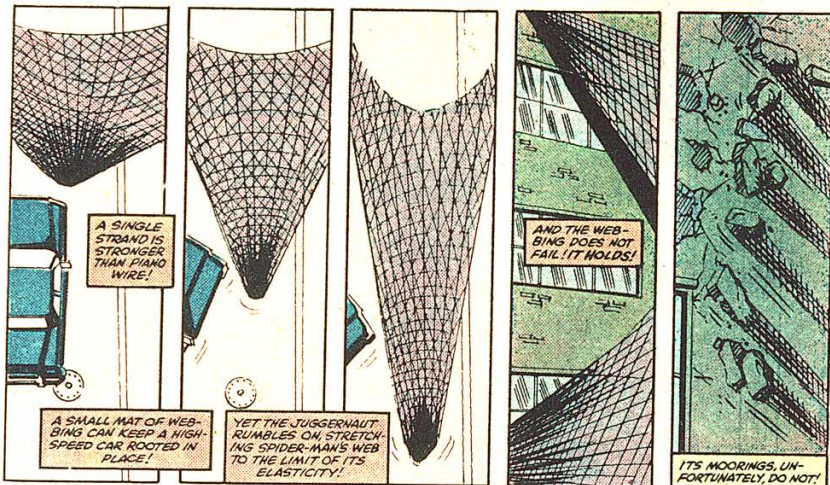
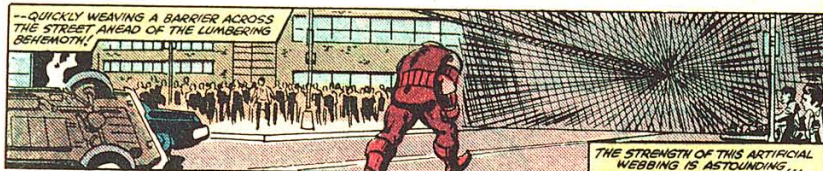
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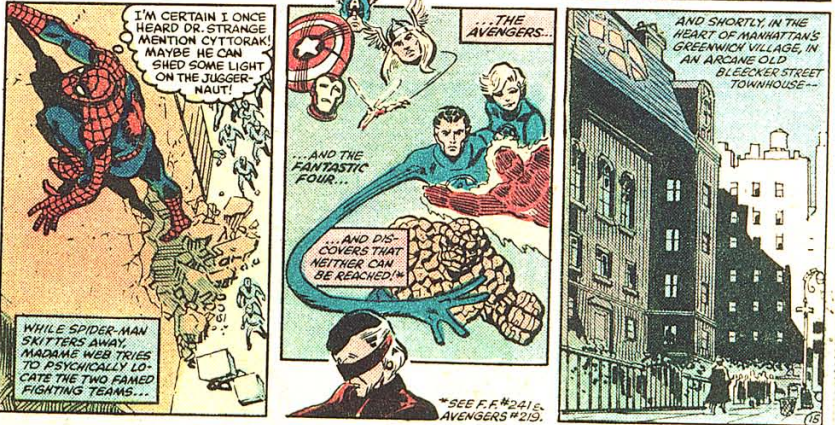
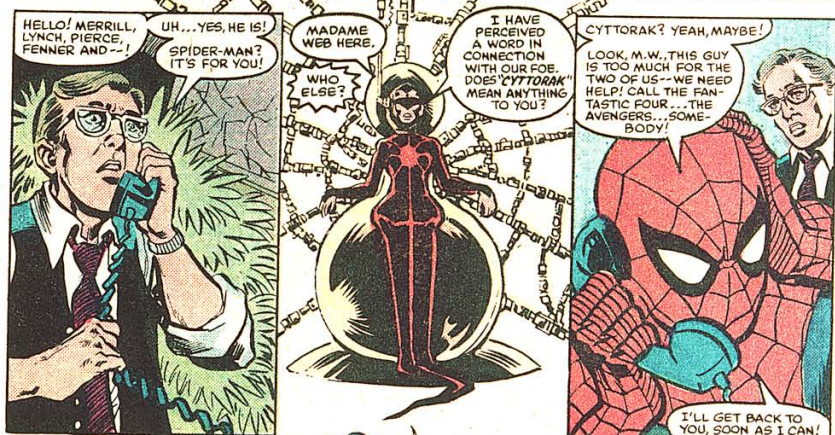
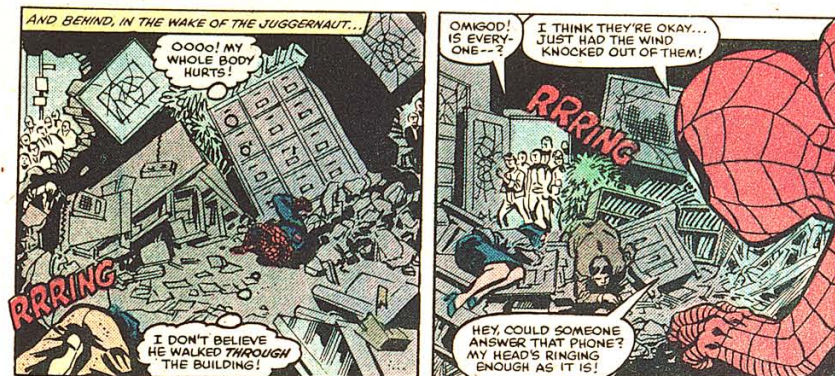
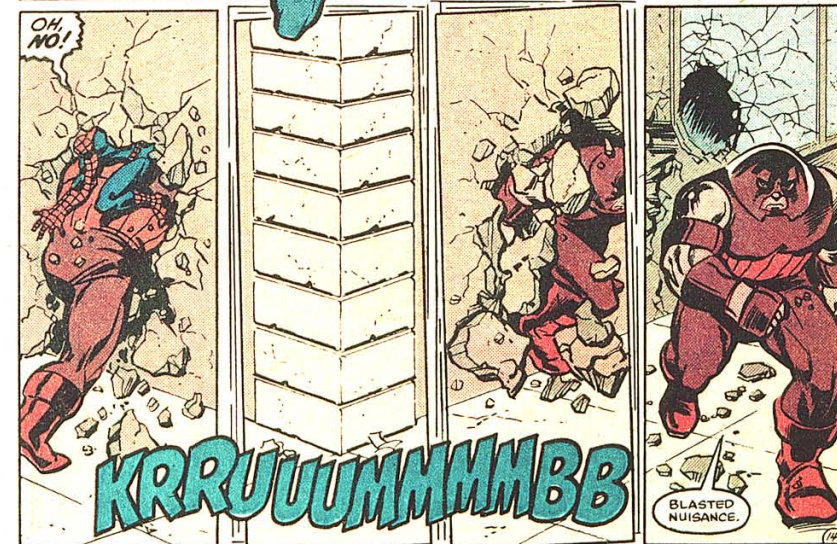
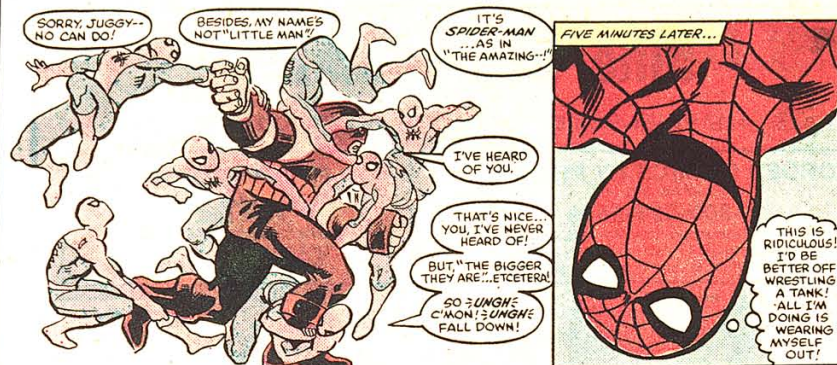
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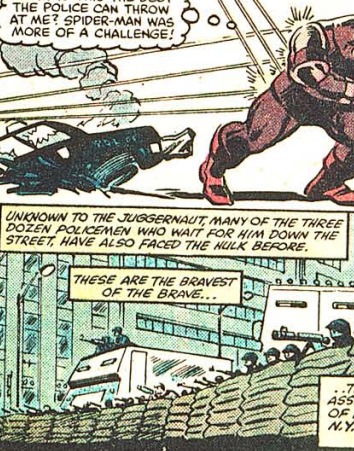
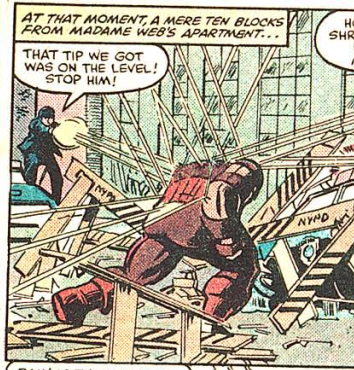
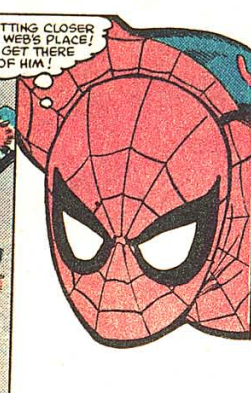
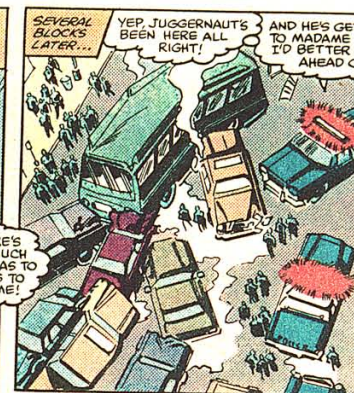
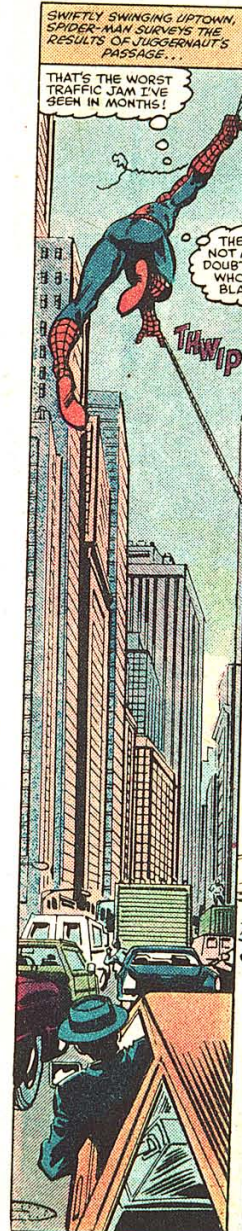
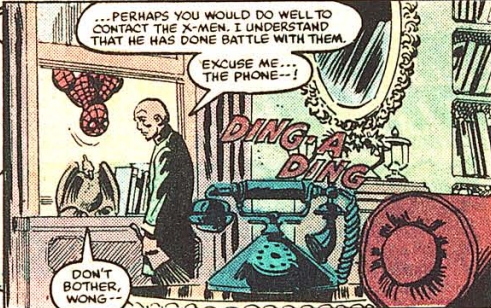
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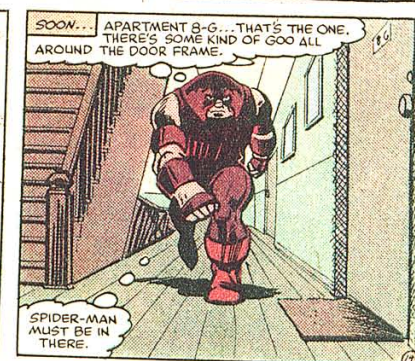
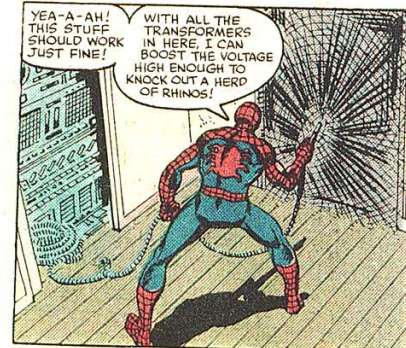
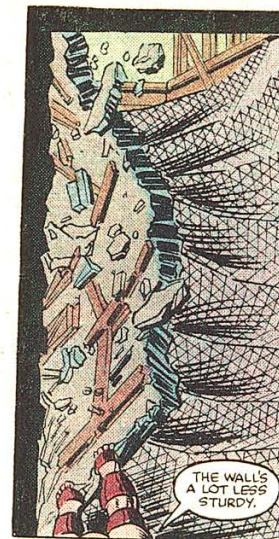
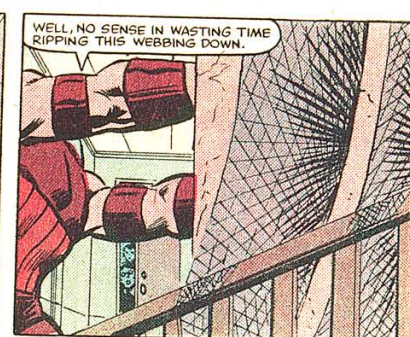
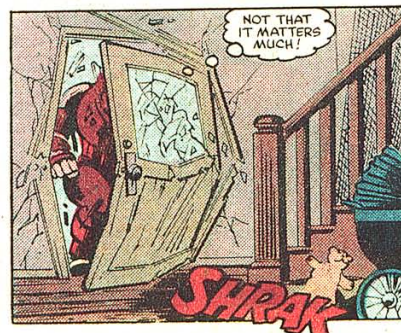
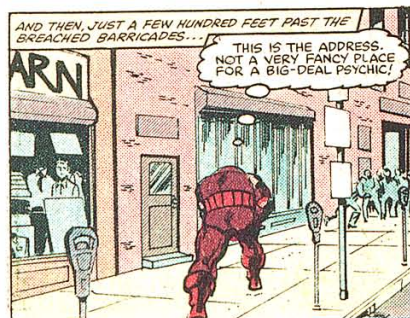
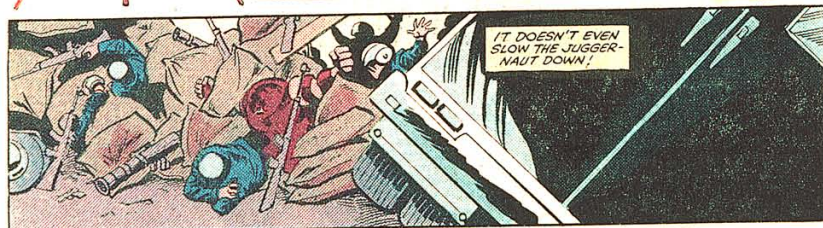
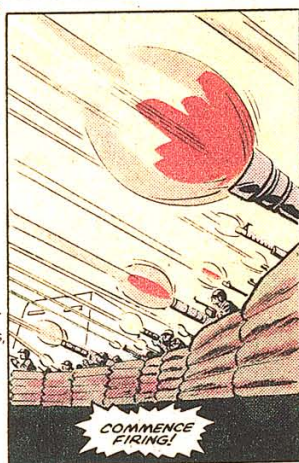
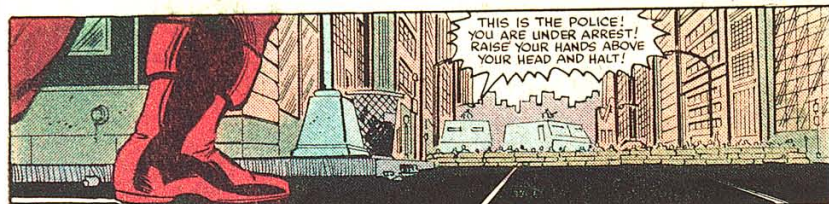
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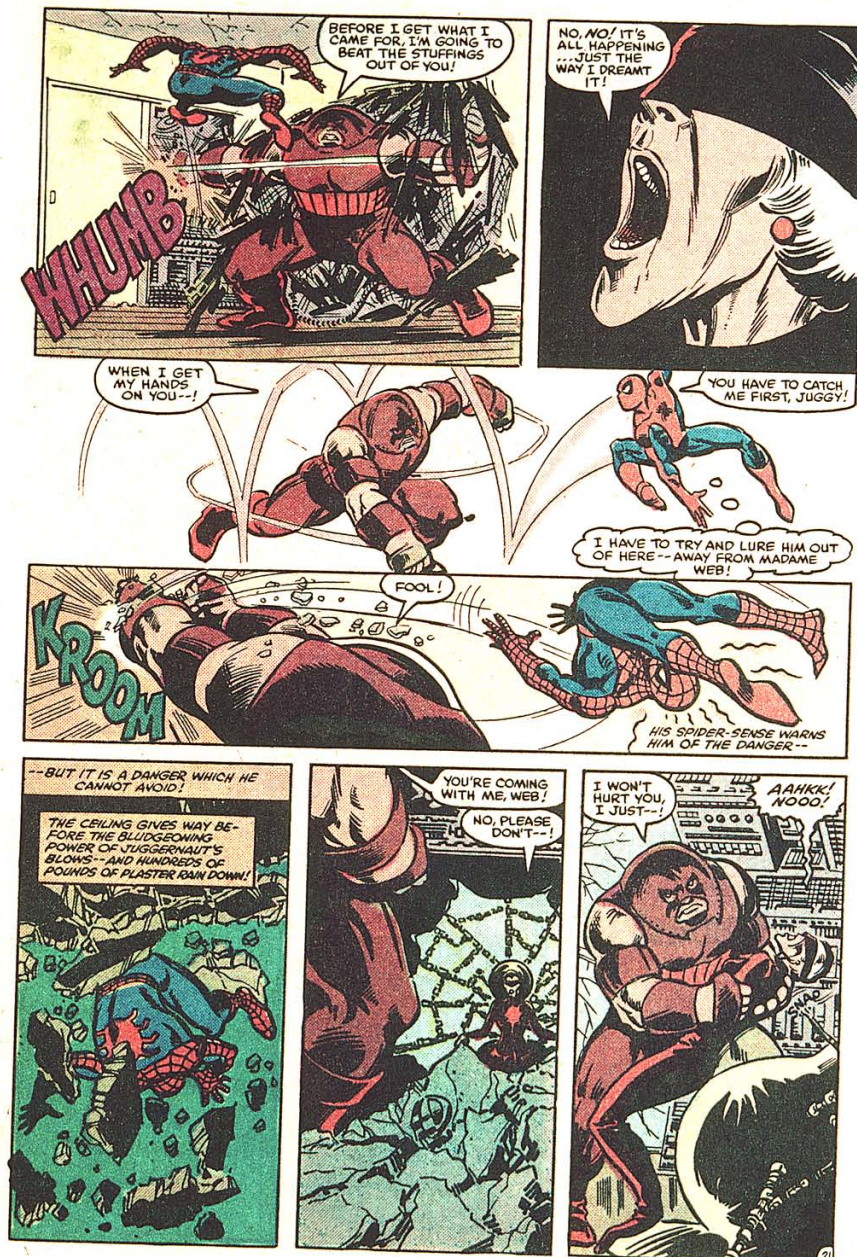
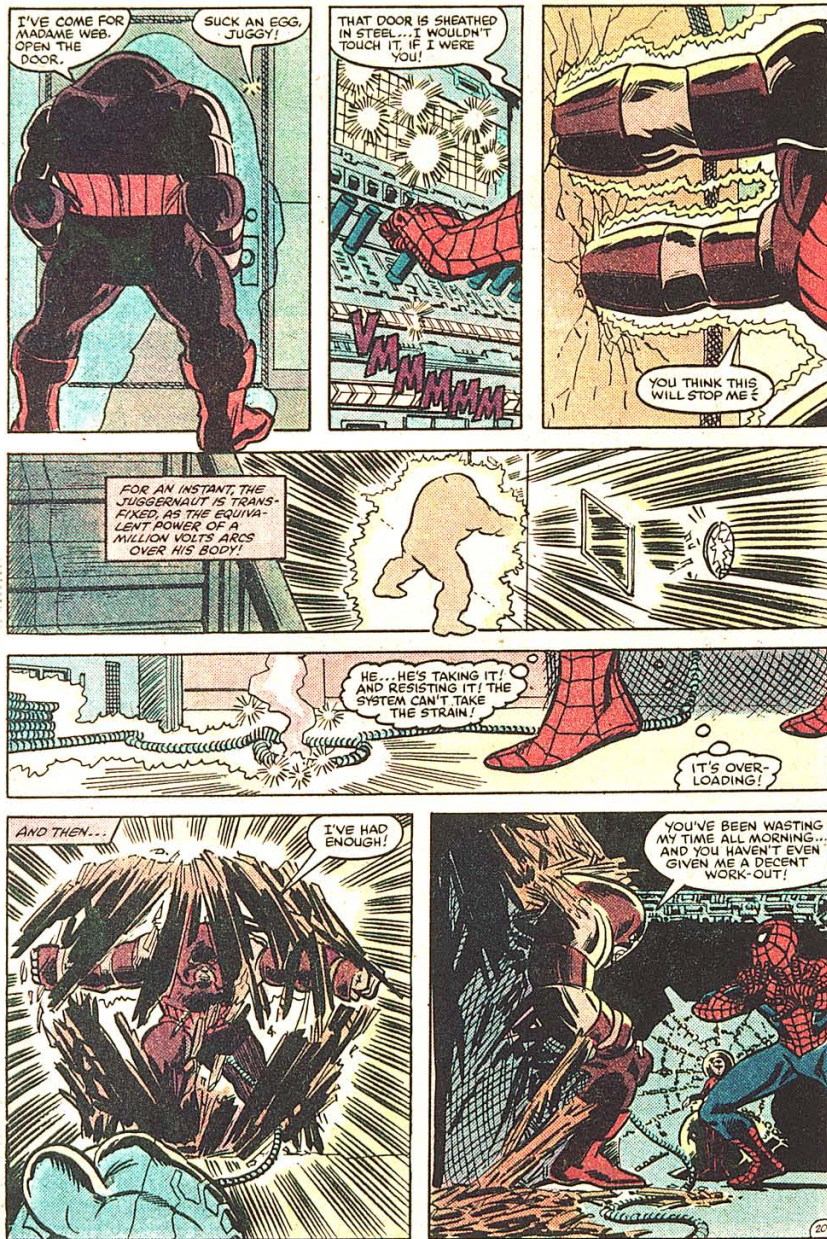
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BEING EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF MARVEL COMICS...

...is like balancing a watermelon on your nose. It's hard to do, it can hurt a lot, and everyone thinks you're out of your mind for doing it. Sometimes, if it weren't for the honor of it all, I think I'd give it up. Nonetheless, on with the news.

DOZENS FAIL TO BE KILLED!

or at least to suffer severe pain. Two weeks ago, on December 9, to be exact, just before three P.M., most of the crew was gathered in the Bulpen to cut a cake in honor of Publishing Vice-President Mike Hobson's forty-fifth birthday! Suddenly, without warning, a stepladder slammed into a window only a few feet away! Glass sprayed everywhere, and startled Bulpeners, imagining that it was anything from an artillery attack to the end of the world as we know it, dived for cover. Fortunately, it seems that no one was seriously injured, though our brand-new editorial assistant, Franki Sienkiewicz, who was nearest the window at the time, was battered by flying debris and shaken up. Yes, that name Sienkiewicz (pronounced Sin-koh-veech) should sound familiar. Lovely Franki is the wife of renowned MOON KNIGHT artist Bill Sienkiewicz! Anyway, after we found out it was a stepladder that had crashed our party, speculation ran wild! Had the Dire Competition at last perfected their stepladder-cannon? Or was it the work of a Sinister Foreign Power, trying to undermine American morale by striking at our comics creators? As it turns out, it was just the wind which blew the ladder from the top of a nearby skyscraper-under-construction, and not the work of nefarious Enemies. Nonetheless, it certainly made our party...different! I think Mike will remember this birthday.

PRESENTING THE FIRST ANNUAL SHOOTER AWARDS!

By now all of you have stopped accidentally dating your checks "1987" and are comfortably under-way with A.D. 1982, but as I wrote this it's late December 1981. As a matter of fact, I'm on an airplane at the moment, headed home to Pittsburgh, "Someplace Special," PA for the holidays but that's not my point. What's important is that I've decided to give some special no-prizes, by my authority as E.I.C., to honor achievements of the past year. Some will be serious, some not so, and all are absolutely arbitrary on my part. The decisions of the judge are final. And now, the awards.

The Award for Quietest Superstar Penciler goes to Brent Anderson, who probably gives quiet lessons to Ninja on the side. Last time Brent said something, Daredevil was heard to say "Pardon me?"

The Award for Fastest Coloring Job goes to Christine Scheep for Avengers #216. "To Avenue the Avengers," colored in "thirty-seven-point-eight-six seconds," according to her because it was terminally late thanks to the scripper (me). Surely, she wouldn't rib about something like that, would she? Nah.



The Award for Most Overnight Lettering Jobs goes to Joe Rosen who came through time after time because he's as dependable as the sunrise and the Hulk's temper. Fortunately for us, Joe's much more mellow and cooperative than the Hulk.

The Award for Worst Engraver's Error goes to Chemical Color for Ka-Zar #12 "Belasco." In which an entire panel, a color-hole, was dropped out.

The Award for Saving Marvel's Bacon Schedulewise goes to Chemical Color for saving several dozen late issues with last-ditch, blitzkrieg separating and engraving efforts, and doing a darn good job despite the rush.

The Award for Best Singlehanded Complete Cover Overnight goes to Editor Allen Milgram for Hulk #267, "Wrong End of the Rainbow." He writes, he draws, he inks, he edits — next he'll be selling the comics down on the corner of 56th and Madison.

The Award for Best Cover Copy goes to Jim Salicrup for Fantastic Four #238, "The Lady Is Not For Burning." That's the title, not the cover copy, by the way. You have to check out the prize-winning copy for yourself to believe it.

The Award for Father of the Year, though closely contested, goes to Ron Zaimo, who provided every living person within range with cut-out-and-fold-up, do-it-yourself, scale-model, cardboard statuettes, which he designed and created, of his wife, himself and new baby Jessica.

The Award for Curmudgeon of the Year goes to stall curmudgeon (and editor, and genius) Dennis O'Neil — even though we all know it's just a front and underneath he's a sweet guy.

The Award for Best Telephone Greeting goes to CRAZY! Magazine editor, Larry Hama, who answers the phone, "CRAZY! What's your excuse?"

The Award for Toughest Editor goes to Louise Jones, who's a rather strong-willed and determined sort, and has a wicked left hook.

The Award for Rookie of the Year goes to newcomer Tom DeFalco. Sure, I know he's been in comics, editing even, since Don Perlin wore knickers, but he's new here...and already a star!

The Award for Miss — oops! I mean Master Congeniality goes to Danny Crespi, fearless Production manager and all around nice guy.

The Award for Comeback of the Year goes to Jack Abel, who didn't let a serious stroke stop him. Showing enormous courage and determination, and cheerfully goaded on by his friends, he rehabilitated his paralyzed right hand to the extent that he's inking and drawing again — even better than before. Now there is a man.

The Nuclear Terrorist Clone Honorable Mention goes toinker Bob Layton, who's a first-class artist and a first-class guy — for a radioactive mutant, that is.

That's all for now, but be warned! I'll probably give additional awards from time to time when the mood strikes me.

THIS TOO, SHALL PASS...

This column, that is. We're out of space, it appears. Before I sign off, though, I want the world to know that I was just kidding about Bob Layton being a radioactive mutant. It was just a joke. Yes, I know it wasn't funny, but hey, how humorous could you be if you were in my place?

Watermelons are very heavy.

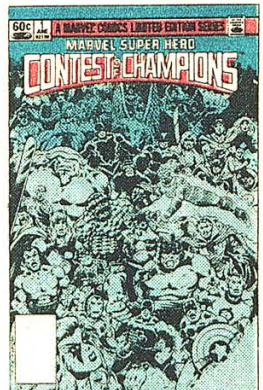
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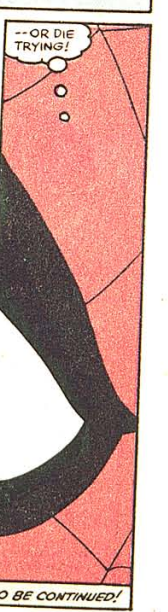
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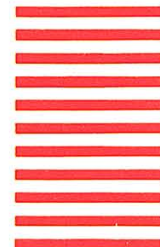
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